

## 2009 NONRESIDENT BIG GAME COMBINATION LICENSE REFUND POLICY

**A SIGNED APPLICATION FORM CERTIFYING THE LICENSES HAVE NOT BEEN USED AND THE ORIGINAL LICENSE MUST ACCOMPANY THE REFUND REQUEST.**

REASON	DEADLINE (POSTMARK DATE)	% OF REFUND
Death of licensee (1)	Dec. 31, 2009	100%
Death of family member of licensee (1)	Dec. 31, 2009	90%
Medical emergency (1)	Dec. 31, 2009	90%
Any reason	August 1, 2009	80%
Any reason (2)	After August 1, but before opening of general Big Game hunting	50%

(1) The appropriate documentation (death certificate, medical statement, etc.) must accompany the UNUSED license. A request for a medical emergency refund must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation, which includes at a minimum, a statement signed by a licensed physician. **The physician must describe the nature of the medical emergency and state why it precludes using the license.** Medical emergencies that affect groups will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Refunds may be granted to the other members of the group that aren't directly related to the medical emergency, however, the amount of the refund may vary.

(2) If the licensee is outfitter-sponsored and lack of success in drawing a permit eliminates the opportunity to use the license, the amount retained by FWP will be \$100, provided the request is postmarked ON OR BEFORE October 1.

If the licensee is landowner-sponsored and lack of success in drawing a permit eliminates the opportunity to use the license, the amount retained by FWP will be \$50, provided the request is postmarked ON OR BEFORE October 1.

- Bonus points **cannot** be reinstated due to refund of the combination licenses. Bonus points are nonrefundable.
- Additional and detailed supporting documentation will insure the highest percentage refund available.

## BONUS POINT SYSTEM

1. The bonus point system is voluntary. You must indicate on the application that you wish to participate, and pay the \$20 participation fee.
2. The only way to earn a bonus point is to apply for a license, pay the \$20 participation fee and be unsuccessful in the drawing. **You cannot just purchase a bonus point.**
3. By participating in the bonus point system, any bonus points that you may have already accumulated will be used to increase your odds of drawing a license, and if you are unsuccessful, you will be awarded one bonus point which will improve your chances in future drawings.
4. When participating in the bonus point system, your name will be placed in the drawing an additional time for each bonus point that you have previously accumulated.
5. If you are successful in drawing a license and participating in the bonus point system, you will then lose all bonus points. An applicant participating in the bonus point system will receive either a license or a bonus point, not both.
6. Party members may have different numbers of bonus points, but all members must participate in the bonus point system for the party to be able to earn or use bonus points. Party applications with differing bonus point participation will be split up.
7. The number of bonus points applicable to a group of applicants who are applying as a party, is the total number of bonus points held by the members of the party, divided by the number of applicants in the group, rounded to the nearest whole number.
8. You may skip two concurrent years of participation without forfeiting accumulated points, but if you skip the third year (or have errors that eliminate you from the drawing) your accumulated points will be lost. Rejection of an application because of applicant error is equivalent to failure to apply.
9. Bonus points are non-transferable.
10. FWP attempts to contact you each year to report your accumulated points. Bonus point status may be looked up online at [fwp.mt.gov](http://fwp.mt.gov). It will be the hunter's responsibility to report any discrepancies.
11. Successful combination license applicants will have the opportunity to participate in a bonus point system for special deer and elk permits. Unsuccessful combination license applicants will also have the opportunity to accumulate these bonus points but will not have an opportunity to draw the special permit. They will be given an application for these special permit bonus points after combination license drawing.